

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
Roger A.G. Sharpe, Clerk

STEVEN M DELANEY  
PETITIONER

CRIM No: 1:13-CR-00019

v

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
RESPONDENT

PETITION FOR COMPASSIONATE RELEASE

I, STEVEN M DELANEY, AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO ASK FOR COMPASSIONATE RELEASE DUE TO THE EXTRA-ORDINARY AND COMPELLING REASONS THAT I SHALL SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS. I HAVE PREPARED THIS PETITION PRO SE SINCE FCI ASHLAND IS ON LOCKDOWN BECAUSE OF THE PANDEMIC. I WAS SENTENCED ON OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO 188 MONTHS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. I HAVE NOW SERVED OVER 94 MONTHS OF MY SENTENCE.

I TURNED IN A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE WARDEN AT THIS PRISON ON APRIL 21, 2020, IN WHICH I LISTED MY REASONS WHY I SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR COMPASSIONATE RELEASE. NORMAL TURNAROUND FOR OTHER GUYS HAS BEEN 2-3 DAYS. I HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RESPONSE AS OF SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH. BECAUSE OF EMERGENCY NATURE OF THE PANDEMIC, I HAVE DECIDED TO NOT WAIT FOR THE EVENTUAL DENIAL FROM THE WARDEN IN ORDER TO FILE THIS PETITION.

MY HEALTH:

WHEN I WAS A CHILD, I SUFFERED THROUGH GERMAN MEASLES. THIS CAUSED ME TO GET RHEUMATIC

FEVER, AND CONSEQUENTLY GAVE ME A HEART MURMUR.

THIS HEART MURMUR STOPPED ME FROM BEING ACTIVE IN SPORTS IN SCHOOL. IT HAS ALSO MADE ME MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO COLDS AND FLUS. I GET THESE QUITE EASILY AND USUALLY AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR. I HAVE HAD DAYS IN PRISON WHERE I HAD TO CONFINED MYSELF TO BED, ONLY TO GET UP FOR THE UNMERCIFUL STANDING COUNTS - AND NO MEALS.

WHEN I WAS IN LEITCHFIELD DETENTION CENTER IN 2013, AWAITING MY SENTENCING, I HAD AN EPISODE WHERE MY BLOOD PRESSURE DROPPED TO 60/30. I HAD PASSED OUT. WHEN I AWOK, I HAD A CUT ABOVE MY EYE WHERE MY HEAD HAD HIT THE CONCRETE FLOOR. I WAS SURROUNDED BY CO'S ASKING IF I WAS OK. EVIDENTLY I LOOKED EXTREMELY PALE. I WAS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL WHERE I ENDURED A BARRAGE OF EXAMINATIONS. ONE OF THESE EXAMS SHOWED THAT I HAVE PARTIALLY CALCIFIED LUNGS. THIS WOULD EXPLAIN WHY I CANNOT RUN FOR VERY LONG WITHOUT GETTING SHORT OF BREATH.

SINCE COVID-19 AFFECTS THE LUNGS, AND I AM OVER 60, I WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE ABLE TO DO WELL AGAINST THIS DISEASE.

### MY CHARACTER:

EVEN THOUGH I WAS CHARGED WITH A SEX OFFENSE, I HAVE UTILIZED MY TIME IN PRISON TO BETTER MYSELF. I HAVE COMPLETED OVER 25 DIFFERENT CLASSES TO IMPROVE MYSELF, INCLUDING HVAC, ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP, A VARIETY OF BUSINESS CLASSES, AND SELF-IMPROVEMENT CLASSES.

FROM 2014-2019, I WORKED AT CMS AS AN ELECTRICIAN. A MAJORITY OF THIS TIME WAS SPENT WORKING WITH MICROWAVE OVENS. AS A RESULT OF MY DEDICATION TO FINDING NEW WAYS TO KEEP THEM WORKING, (AND SAVING THE PRISON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS), IN 2016, I RECEIVED AN INCENTIVE AWARD BY THE WARDEN AND ASSISTANT WARDEN.



FROM JANUARY 2019- PRESENT, I HAVE WORKED AT UNICOR. THIS HAS ALLOWED ME TO PAY OVER \$1000 TOWARDS MY RESTITUTION. I HAVE ALSO PUSHED MYSELF WHILE WORKING THERE, AND AM NOW A GRADE 2 BUILDER. I TRY TO ALWAYS STRIVE TO BE THE BEST AT WHATEVER I DO.

DURING MY ALMOST 7 YEARS OF PRISON, I HAVE RECEIVED NO DISCIPLINARY ACTION. THIS SHOULD SHOW THAT I AM SERIOUS ABOUT MY REHABILITATIVE EFFORTS TO BECOME A BETTER PERSON.

I REALIZE THAT MY CHARGE IS SERIOUS. THERE HAS BEEN A RECENT COURT CASE THAT WOULD BE WORTH TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION. UNITED STATES V SAWICZ, 08-CR-287 (ARR) (E.D. NY APR 10, 2020), IT WAS DECIDED THAT EVEN THOUGH SAWICZ WAS A PERSON CHARGED WITH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, (NOT ONCE, BUT TWICE), HE WAS STILL ABLE TO GET COMPASSIONATE RELEASE.

I HAVE COMPLETED OVER 50% OF MY SENTENCE. LEAVING ME HERE IN PRISON WOULD PUT ME AT SIGNIFICANT RISK OF SUFFERING CATASTROPHIC HEALTH CONSEQUENCES. AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE OF, YOUR HONOR, COVID-19 IS DEVASTATING FOR EVERYONE, EVEN MORE SO FOR PEOPLE WITH UNDERLYING CONDITIONS SUCH AS MINE. MY CHANCES OF SURVIVAL OF THIS PANDEMIC ARE SLIM BECAUSE OF MY AGE AND PRIOR HEALTH ISSUES.

THERE IS A REAL FEAR IN RURAL COUNTIES, IN WHICH MOST FEDERAL PRISONS ARE LOCATED, THAT THE INCREASING NUMBER OF CASES WILL ULTIMATELY OVERWHELM THEIR ALREADY LIMITED HEALTH RESOURCES. THIS COULD HAPPEN HERE AT FCI ASHLAND.

### RELEASE PLAN:

I HAVE A PLACE TO STAY. ONCE I HAVE GOTTEN THERE, I WILL WORK TO GET MY DRIVER'S LICENSE ONLINE. I WILL MEET WITH THE PROBATION OFFICE AND DO WHATEVER IS REQUIRED OF ME. MY BROTHER, MARK, HAS SAID THAT HE WILL PICK ME UP ONCE I AM RELEASED. I WILL STAY AT HIS HOUSE IN WHITE HOUSE, TENN. HE HAS TALKED WITH HIS EMPLOYER ABOUT ME. SINCE I HAVE RECEIVED

MY UNIVERSAL HVAC LICENSE, WHICH DOES NOT EXPIRE, THIS WILL ALLOW ME TO IMMEDIATELY HAVE A JOB TO GO TO, ONCE I AM CLEARED BY THE PROBATION OFFICE.

FOR THE REASONS THAT I HAVE STATED, I AM HOPEFUL THAT YOU WILL ALLOW ME TO BE RELEASED TO HOME-CONFINEMENT. WHEN I WAS SENTENCED, IT WAS 188 MONTHS, AND NOT A DEATH SENTENCE. I DO NOT WANT TO DIE IN PRISON.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

STEVEN DELANEY 10892-028

*Steven Delaney*

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ATTN CLERK OF THE COURT:

I FEEL THAT I HAVE MADE A SERIOUS ERROR WHEN I SENT THIS ORIGINAL PETITION. I SENT IT TO 200 E WASHINGTON ST RM-W-122. I AM NOT SURE WHERE I GOT THIS ADDRESS FROM.

PLEASE KIND ENCLOSED ANOTHER COPY OF MY PETITION, WHICH HAS BEEN UPDATED TO SHOW WHERE I WILL BE STAYING WITH MY BROTHER. IT ALSO STATES THAT I WILL HAVE A JOB WAITING FOR ME AS WELL.

I HAVE TOLD (ASKED POLITELY) MY BROTHER TO PLEASE SEND THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR ADDRESS. I HAVE GOTTEN YOUR ADDRESS FROM PREVIOUS ENVELOPES FROM 2016, 2017.

ONCE YOU HAVE FILED THIS PETITION, CAN YOU PLEASE SEND ME A COPY. I HAVE ENCLOSED A SASE TO HELP MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION

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